(ख) भारत सरकार इस सुझाव का समर्थन नहीं करती कि केन्द्र चुंगी को समाप्त करने के लिये राज्यों को मुआवजा दे क्योंकि केन्द्र राज्यों की योजनाओं के लिये केन्द्रीय सहायता दे रहा है और यदि चुंगी को समाप्त करने के लिये मुआवजा दिया जाना है तो राज्यों की योजनाओं के लिये उस सीमा तक केन्द्रीय सहायता को कम कर दिया जायेगा ।

(ग) राजस्थान सरकार प्रस्ताव की जांच कर रही है ।

Collections made by the Customs and Central excise Department

1674. SHRI J. K. JAIN: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) what was the total amount of collections made by the Customs and Central Excise Departments during the year 1984-85 in different Zones of the country;

(b) how did these figures compare with those of the year 1983-84;

(c) which zone achieved the highest increase in collections, in case, an increase was recorded;

(d) whether any target has been laid down by Government for the Central Customs and Excise collections for the current financial year;

(e) if so, what are the details thereof; and

(f) whether there is any proposal under Government's consideration to supply arms to fine Customs and Central Excise Officers posted in border areas?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI JANARDHAN POOJARY): (a) to (c) The information regarding Zone-Wise collections from Excise and Customs Duties during 1984-85 vis-a-vis those in 1983-84 is given in Statements. [See Appendix CXXXVI, Annexure No. 25].

There were increase in collections from all Zones. However, South Zone achieved the higest percentage increase;

(d) and (e) Yes, the Government has laid down targets for collections from Central Excise and Customs Duties in each Zone. Keeping in view the relevant considerations these targets have been fixed at 110 per cent of t'ne Budget Esti. mates. The details are given in Statement *(.See below).* .

(f) Customs and Central Excise officers posted in vulnerable areas of the country's borders are already equipped with adequate number of arms. Further, the Government has also approved a scheme for induction of semi-automatic weapons (9 mm and 7.6 mm) in the Customs and Central Excise Department in replacement of the existing stock of absolute arms ir,; a period of three years in a phased manner.

Statement

Details of the target fixed by the Govt.

for 1985-86

(Rs. crores)

	C. Excise	Customs	Total
North Zone	3030·40	474·42	3504·82
East Zone	1998·53	1196·24	3194·77
South Zone	3009·23	1996·38	5005·61
West Zone	5411·20	5315·51	10726·71
TOTAL :	13449·36	8982·55	12431·91